Remnant of Admiral Seymour's Column at Tientsin.

DOUBT ABOUT THE MINISTERS

Conflicting Stories Concerning the Foreign Diplomats.

A REPORT OF THEIR RESCUE

Shanghai Advices Say They Are Be lieved to Be in Pekin-Beleaguered Announcement in the House of Com-Expedition Had Been Entrenched and Fighting for Days When the Allied Armies Arrived-Imperial Troops Engaged With Boxers in the Prolonged Assault-Interna-Commanded by a Russian, Now En Route to the Chinese Capital. ed to Tientsin.

LONDON, June 28 .- The reports concerning the whereabouts of the foreign ministers who were besieged in Pekin, are still conflicting, with the presumption in favor of their being in Tientsin, or, at killed and seventy wounded. least, with the remnant of Seymour's relief column near that city.

A despatch from Berlin says that official telegrams have been received there, announcing that Baron Von Ketteler and the other foreign ministers at Pekin have reached Tientsin safely with Admiral Sey-

A second despatch from the German capital says: "The German commander at Taku reports that the foreign ministers are with the landing force (Seymour's)." The date of the German commander's despatch is Taku, June 26.

Admiral Bendmann has also telegraphed to Berlin that Vice Admiral Seymour has arrived at Tientsin, but makes no mention of the foreign ministers. He adds that fighting continues between the Europeans and the Chinese beyond the city.

A despatch from St. Petersburg says following despatch from Admiral Alexejeff: "Port Arthur, June 27 .- During the night of June 25, a detachment of four companies of Russians, Col. Schivinsky commanding, and the same number of for eigners relieved Admiral Seymour and Crought 200 of his wounded to Tientsin."

Other advices received here throw more doubt on the situation. Jarbine, Matheson & Co's agent at Shanghai, cables that wounded. There is no news from Pekin, he says, but the ministers are supposed been much exaggerated. Shanghai is quiet. day, read as follows:

"Admiral Seymour's force of 2,500 American and European soldiers and manes, which has been fighting against th hordes of Chinese troops and Boxers between Pekin and Tientsin, is saved.

members of the foreign legations at Pekin, their families, and probably many foreign residents of the Chinese capital. This statement is doubted, however, and the foreign ministers may have been

"Seymour and his men were rescued by an international force of 2,300 men that left Tientsin on Monday at dawn.

"The beleaguered expedition had been entrenched and fighting desperately for days within eight or ten miles of Tien-

"Seymour and his men, including 100 American marines, under Captain McCalla, started on June 10 for Tientsin, to rescue the foreign residents of the Chinese capital from Boxer mobs. Soon after their start Chinese troops, led by their genera's, joined the Boxers. Tientsin was surrounded, cut off, and finally bombarded, and Seymour's little band was left to fight its way with hostile Chinese in overwhelming numbers on all sides.

"Whether they reached Pekin or not is still a mystery. Chinese reports have placed them within eight miles of Pekin. half way there, and a quarter of the way

The Kretol Chemical Company

Is equipping its large plant in Alexandria, Va., with electricity, so as to furnish light, power, and heat to its tenants. Extensive preparations are being made for the establishment of branch institutes for

The Treatment of Various Diseases

Kretol Method. Among the institutes to be established dur-ing the months of August and September are those at Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland, Pitts-burg, and Philadelphia.

KRETOL

Is now sold by every first-class druggist in Washington.

"It seems likely that they got near Pekin and that the foreign ministers were placed in their hands by a weak guard of Chinese soldiers with whom they had been ent away from the capital by the Chinese

Government. The British Consul at Tientsin reports as follows: "A note has been received by the Commissioners of Customs here from Inspector General Hart (Sir Robert Hart) at Pekin, dated June 19, stating that the oreign legations had been desired to leave

there, but it is certain that they were

of the time have been short of food, water,

fighting desperately all the time, and much

Pekin within twenty-four hours." Advices from Chefoo state that the Rusian Colonel Stoessel, commanding the combined international force of 10,000 men, is supposed to be on his way to Pekin.

BRITISH LOSSES IN TIENTSIN.

mons of Seymour's Rescue. LONDON, June 28.-In the House of Commons this afternoon Right Hon. William St. J. Brodrick, Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said that information from China left no doubt that Adtional Army of Ten Thousand Men, miral Seymour's force had been extricated from its perilous position and had return-

> The Government received a telegram on June 24 from Admiral Seymour, saying he had seized a small arsenal north of Tientsin, and was being bombarded by a large number of guns. He sent an urgent note for relief. He said he had lost about forty

News brought by a servant of a legation who was thoroughly trustworthy was to the effect that the foreign settlement at Tientsin had been shelled from June 18 to June 23. The damage was comparatively slight except in the case of the French concession, which suffered severely, and the British Consulate, which was greatly knocked about. The British casualties were four killed and fifty wounded. Among the latter were six officers

There was no news from the legations Seymour intended to take.

MANY KILLED AT TIENTSIN.

A Despatch Received From Methodis Missionary Brown.

NEW YORK, June 28 .- A despatch from Rev. Frederick Brown, the presiding elder of the Tientsin district of the Meththat the Minister of War has received the noon by Rev. A. B. Leonard, Secretary of stances. the Methodist Episcopal Board of Foreign

The message was in clpher, in an unfamiliar code which Mr. Leonard found considerable difficulty in translating. As finally interpreted it read: "Chefoo, 28 -- Mission Tientsin destroyed

by fire. About 160 persons killed. think there is serious risk for families. Will return to Tientsin in a few days. Shall we return home? Will you permit?" Dr. Leonard said that the despatch led Admiral Seymour lost 62 silled and 312 him to believe that the Methodist Ediscopal Mission at Tientsin had been destroyed, but he did not believe any of the Tienisin missionaries had been killed, because, if to be there. The damage to Tlentsin has they had been, the despatch would specifically have said so. He had no idea who Despatches from Chefoo, received to- the 160 persons mentioned might be. It was barely possible that they might be native workers.

FORCES TO LEAVE SIMILA.

Large and Well-Armed Detachment level yesterday, reaching 91 in the after

Going to China. SIMLA. June 28.-The forces that will "With the admiral, it is said, are the go to China from here consists of 223 offi- en were prostrated while on the streets cers, 308 non-commissioned officers, 9,540 native troops, and 7,170 camp followers, They will carry six field guns and eleven

WEI-HIEN MISSION BURNED.

Presbyterian Preachers Report That the Foreigners Escaped NEW YORK, June 28 .- Rev. Arthur S. Brown, one of the secretaries of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, received two cablegrams this morning, one from Shanghai and the other from Chefoo. The first despatch, sent from Shanghal at 2:30 o'clock this morning read:

"Shanghal, June 28.—Wei-Hien destroy-i. Foreigners escaped." The despatch was unsigned, but was robably sent, Dr. Brown said, by Rev. A. The The second despatch, sent at 5:30 o'clock raine, but were ruined by the Franco

"Lebestine, Shanghai. Ferius, Pekin. No word Pekin, Paoting Fu. Wei-Hien mission burned. Missionaries safe."

The above despatch was sent by the Rev. W. O. Eltrich, at Chefoo.

DELLA FOX RECOVERS.

The Actress to Leave the River Crest Sanitarium.

NEW YORK, June 28 .- Della Fox, who has been under treatment in the River Crest Sanitarium for several weeks, will leave the institution at noon tomorrow.

The physician in charge says that her mind has been restored and that her physical health is excellent. It is said that Miss Fox will return to the stage in the fall.

The Newport News Census. NEWPORT NEWS, Va., June 28.-The work of taking the census of Newport News is about completed. In another day or two all of the enumerators will have filed their reports with the census super-visor for this district, H. E. Smith, of Suffolk, who in turn will forward them to Washington. Many estimates have been made of the population of Newport News. Some believe that the work of the census enumerators will show a total of about 25. r 27,000. The gathering of the indus-statistics from manufactories, etc., 000 or 27,000.

Ordered to Manila. NEWPORT NEWS, Va., June 28 .- Lieuenant Stanworth, who has been on duty at the shipyard for some time in connec-tion with the construction of warships, has received orders from the department detaching him from further service here and

ordering him to Manila. \$1.00 Via B. & O. to Frederick Hagerstown, Winchester, and

Martinsburg. From B. & O. Station, 7 a. m. Sunday, July 1. Returning, leave Winchester and Hagerstown at 7; Martinsburg, 7:15, and Frederick, 7:50 p. m. Train stops at intermediate stations.

Sound, good, No. 2 Flooring, only \$2

Despatch From Kempff Foreshadcation has been sent by the Amercan Asiatic Association to the Secretary ows a General Movement. "New York, June 27. "Hon. John Hay, Secretary of State,

WASHINGTON, THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 1900.

APPEAL FROM AMERICANS.

More Ships and Men Urgently Need-

ed in China.

NEW YORK, June 28,-The following

Washington:
"The following cablegram has been received by this association from the American Association of China, at Shanghai, and is respectfully submitted

"It is impossible to exaggerate the gravity of the crisis. The anti-foreign movement must extend unless it be

more ships be despatched for the pro-

tection of our interests in Central

China. "'JOHN FOORD, Secretary."

MINERS UNDER ARMS.

in Colorado.

DENVER, June 28.—Fighting has begun

etween the settlers and new owners of

the Baca Grant No. 2, in Saguache county,

A small miners' settlement on Dead

Man's Creek was blown up Montay night,

Three cabins were destroyed, the logs be-

ing reduced to splinters and the rocks

dreds of feet. Windows were broken and

small buildings rocked in the neighbor-

ing town of Duncan, where the miner

the perpetrators have been found.

pent the night under arms. No traces of

Judging from the last reports, rioting

nay begin at any time and, unless the

Federal courts interfere bloodshed will fol-

by the San Luis Valley Land and Mining

Company, a New Jersey corporation. For

and sending them in to protect its prop-

erty. The settlers claim to have a prior

right and are prepared for armed resist-

THE KENTUCKY CASES.

Difficulty in Securing Witnesses

Likely to Be Experienced.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., June 28 .- Though de-

laring that they will be ready for the

trial of their clients when the cases are

called at Georgetown next week, the indi-

cations are that the attorneys for the al-

leged Goebel murder conspirators will be

names of A. J. Davidson, formerly super-intendent of public instruction, now a resi-dent of the State of Washington, and Reu-ben Miller, formerly State corporation clerk, now a resident of Indiana, are al-

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courts would prevent their being brought back even as witnesses.

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International Army Believed to Be Ready to Move on Pekin-Twelve Thousand Troops Already Ashore The Nashville Substituted for the Yorktown at Chefoo-State Department Credits the Report That the Foreign Representatives Are Saved, and Expects to Hear From Conger Very Soon - Diplomatic Authority for American Consuls

The following despatch from Admiral Kempff was received at the Navy Department today:

"Secretary of the Navy, Washington:
"About 12,900 foreign troops now ashore. Soldiers ordered should report at Taku instead of Chefoo. Substituted Nashville for Yorktown at Chefoo. Yorktown used as despatch boat, being more suitable. being more suitable. KEMPFF.'

This was the only news from China r ceived at the Navy Department today, and was not considered important, except as indicating that a general movement on Pekin will begin at once and that some reliable information can soon be had from Minister Conger and the foreign legations who are supposed to have left the Chinese

General MacArthur today cabled that the Logan had left for Chefoo, as follows:

"Manila, June 27.

"Adjutant General, Washington:
"Transport left Manila 8:30 morning,
June 27, with Colonel Liscum in command, 39 officers, 1,271 men. "MacARTHUR."

It is hoped at the State Department that definite news from Mr. Conger will be received tomorrow, as the officials credit the report that the foreign ministers are either at Tientsin or near that city.

Secretary Hay stated today that he had as yet had no communication from Mr. Conger. He added that he had instructed every United States Consul now in China that, in view of existing conditions, each was to act in a diplomatic capacity, and in all matters affecting the safety of Ameriand he was unaware of the course Admiral can interests they were to confer with the Chinese Viceroys. Thus, each consul will represent the American Minister and for the time being the Viceroys will represent the Chinese Government so that action may be had in all cases without use

Both Minister Wu and Lord Pauncefote called at the State Department today and seemed satisfied with Secretary Hay's decision as the best way under the circum-

It is held by the State Department that if it is found to be a fact that the Chinese Government gave the foreign ministers their passports and compelled them to leave Pekin, there is no question but that a state of war may be declared to exist and the powers are justified in any steps they may take,

It is feared by the department official that a great number of casualties have occurred during the operations against the Chinese, and it is thought strange that Rear Admiral Kempff does not send some word as to the names of those killed and injured. A message was forwarded to him today asking for details as to casualties.

HEAT VICTIMS IN CHICAGO.

Crain were prostrated by the shock. To-day the heat is even worse than yes

STARVATION IN GAY PARIS.

in a Hotel.

Countess and Her Son Found Dead

PARIS, June 28 .- In the heart of this

ity of wealth and luxury a woman of the

French aristocracy and her son have been

found literally starved to death in a mis-

They are the Countess D'Allonville de

After the death of her husband the cou

was compelled to move from one apart-

ment to another. To add to her woes

Count Albert recently began to show signs

They were too proud to beg, and they

were found in a starving condition by a Paris priest, who interested Mme. De Silva

SNELL'S LAST DAY.

The Murderer Who Is to Die Tomor-

row Rests Easily.

\$3.50 Special Saturday Trip, \$3.50

To "Old Point," Norfolk, Virginia Beach, and Ocean View, via Norfolk and Washington steamer, Saturday, 6:30 p. m. Round trip tickets to Fort Monroe and Norfolk, good to return Sunday night, \$3.50. - Schedule, page 7.

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ing at 2224 Milwaukee Ave

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Lightning split the flagstaff on a build-

THREE STATES FOR HILL

Tennessee, Georgia, and Alabam Favor Him for Second Place. ing at 2224 Milwaukee Avenue. William Edgar, Mrs. Gaines, Mary Bollet and Sam Crain were prostrated by the shock. CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., June 28 .- Ou unday the Tennessee Georgia and Alaama delegations to Kansas City will leave on the Andrew Jackson special. From polls taken by newspapers in the three States,

each delegation will contain a majority favorable to the nomination of ex-Senator Hill for Vice President.

Judge Parker, of New York, has a small following It is alleged that the entire vote of the three States will be cast for Hill on the first belief. Hill on the first ballot.

LORIMER AT THE HEAD.

Lauziers and her son, Count Albert. The Chosen to Manage the Cook County family once owned large estates in Ler-Republican Campaign.

CHICAGO, June 28 .- William Lorime was formally recognized as the head of the Republican organization of Cook coun tess gradually sank into dire poverty and ty yesterday. He was upanimously chosen chairman of the county central committee and to him was committed the party man agement during the approaching campaign
John M. Smith retired from active control of the committee on account of busi-

WOOLEY LIKELY TO WIN.

Prohibitionists to Nowmate Their National Ticket Today. CHICAGO, June 28-With all indica

in the case. She at once started a col-lection among the nobility for the unfortu-nates. Assistance came too late, as both mother and son were found dead on beds made of newspapers ions pointing to the nomination of John G. Wooley, of Chicago, for President, and with the Vice Presidential selection pron ising a spirited fight between New York Benjamn H. Snell, who is sentenced to and New England delegations, the Prohibition National Convention entered the sec. be hanged in the District jail temorrow, ond and last day's session at the First between the hours of noon and 2 p. m., for

between the hours of noon and 2 p. m., for the murder of Lizzie Weisenberger, rested quietly last night. For several days and nights Warden Harris has kept the c.n.-demned man under close surveillance, although the prisoner was not aware of the fact. Snell's wife and married daugiter visited him today, and will, in all proba-

visited him today, and will, in all probavisited him today, and will, in all probability see him again at an early hour tomorrow morning.

It is not probable that any further of-It is not probable that any further effort will be made by Snell's counsel to secure a further postponement of the day of execution, all legal means available for this purpose having already been exhausted. His attorneys, Messrs. Turner and Mitchell will call to see him late this afternoon or tomorrow morning.

and the immense hall became one great mass of waving color, nearly every delegate carrying a flag and waving it wildly. The Convention was not turbulent. It merely ran over with good nature and could not sing and shout enough to satisfy itself.

\$3.50 SPECIAL RATES FOR \$3.50

4TH JULY.

To "Old Point," Norfolk, Va. Beach Ocean View, and Newport News, Via elegant steamers of Norfolk & Was Steamboat Co. Tickets sold evening of Flynn's Rusiness College, Sth and K.

\$5——Census Office Examination——\$5

Size p. m., good to return night of the 4th, at \$2.59 round trip. Staterocm reservations, for the round trip, now open, at company's offices. Foot of 7th st. Telephone 750.

1x12-16 Kiln-dried Boards, only \$1.75 | 1x12-16, dressed 4 sides, Shelving, ft.; Nor. Car. pine. Frank Libbey per 100 sq. ft.; of North Carolina pine, too, at 2 cents per sq. ft. Call for lowered prices on F. Libbey Li

Oarsmen of the Blue Win the 'Varsity Eight Event.

rew of the Crimson Several Length Behind at the Finish-The Cambridge Men Pull to Victory in the Four-Oared and Freshman Con-

NEW LONDON, June 28 .- Yale's 'Varspeedily suppressed. We would most urgently request that a large force of men be sent to North China and that ity eight defeated the Harvard crew in splendid form on the Thames this afteron, crossing the finish lines eight lengths ahead of the Crimson. The disace was four miles and the official time of Yale 21:12 2-5; Harvard, 21:27 2-5. Harvard, however, won the two minor owing events, the four-oared race by two Fears of a Riot Over a Land Gran lengths and the freshman two-mile con-

test by seven lengths. In the 'Varsity eight race Harding, the stroke of Harvard, who took Captain Higginson's place, did not give out as was feared, but was in very bad shape at the finish, and undoubtedly this accounts for the great distance between the crews, as Yale crossed the line.

Harvard led at the start by baif a length. She pulled slightly away from Yale and led by a length at the half-mile, rowing splendidly. She was still holding the lead as they

passed the mile, but after the three-mile mark was passed Yale held the lead to the end. The time of the four-oared race, won by Harvard by two lengths, was: Harvard,

3:22; Yale, 13:25 2-5. ow. The grant was recently purchased The two-mile race between the freshmen crews, won by Harvard, was rowed over nonths the company has been arming men a rough course, there being a strong wind

at the time. Harvard won easily by seven lengths, he time being 12:01 for Harvard and 12:19 for Yale. The crews were on even terms at the half mile, but at that point Yale got out of her course and Harvard pulled

steadily away. Large and more than enthusiastic rowds of the collegians' admirers witnessed the struggles of the crews today, and were very demonstrative over the results. A more picturesque accembiage has never thronged the banks of the Thomas. New London will have a gala night in celebra-

tion of the victories.

This was the twenty-second meeting of without several important witnesses.
Subpoenas for the appearance of of William S. Taylor and ex-Secretary of State charles Finley, now of Indiana, as witnesses for the defense have been left in the hands of the sheriff for service. The the 'Varsity eights of Yale and Marvard and the twentieth to be held on this course. Yale came to the starting point with a record of twelve races won and Harvard with seven victories to her credit. The two colleges have rowed annual races with eights since 1876. As far back 1852 the : wo had met in races with is 1852 the 'wo had met in racce with ciher colleges in fours and sixes. The first eight-oared contest in which Harvard and Yale participated took place on Spring-field in 1876. Yale won in 22.02, defeating Harvard by 31 seconds. In 1877 a race was rowed over the same course, Harvard tak-ing the victory in 24.36, eight seconds ahead of Yale. so said to be among the list of witnesses to be summoned for the defence. It might be possible to secure the presence of Davidson from Washington, but the decla-

CHOICE OF KENTUCKIANS.

Several Candidates Favored for Vice President.

LOUISVILLE, June 28.—The Kentucky calegation to the Kansas City Convention is divided on a choice for the nomination for the Vice Presidency. Telegrams of enquiry were sent to all the delegates.

of enquiry were sent to all the delegates.

In the control of disturbed athletic relations between the universities, Yale and Harvard entered a Poughkeepise regards. In '97 Yale and Harvard entered a Harvard were both besten on the Hudson in '98, and in a triangular race over this course again led Yale, with the latter ahead of Harvard. It is to be the executive of the our assault made upon Enumerator John S. Kennerly, of that district, by Charles

ENUMERATOR RADLY BEATEN.

"The board is to represent the whole school system, and it is to work as a whole, and not to split up into representatives of an Uniting of White Post, Clarke country, Va., has brought information to Census Superintendent John M. Steek of a serious assault made upon Enumerator John S. Kennerly, of that district, by Charles Beginning with the year 1878 the two met on the Thames annually until 1896 when, as a result of disturbed athletic re-

of enquiry were sent to all the delegates.

Replies were received from a majority of them, and they indicate that no particular man is the choice.

Replies were received from a majority of them, and they indicate that no particular from Cambridge left the scene after defrom Cambridge left the scene after defrom the control of the cont

FIGHTING FOR CHINAMEN.

Their Attorney Raises a Novel Legal Point at Buffalo.

time was made in 1878, 20:44 3-4.

BUFFALO, N. Y., June 28.-Judge Hazel, the newly appointed United States judge in the western district of New York, will have a knotty question to decide as a beginner in his career on the bench. Yesterday Attorney Hamilton Ward, ir.

representing three Chinamen who have been ordered deported by United States Commissioner Robinson, claimed that his clients could not be sent from this country because a state of war now exists between the United States and China. The fact that United States soldiers are fighting in China, abrogates all treaties existing between the two countries even though war has not been officially declared, Mr.

United States District Attorney Brown attorneys say that no ruling has ever been made on such a question and, when Judge Hazel renders a decision, it will establish

border.

If Judge Hazel sides with Mr. Ward in the matter, it will mean a great influx of thinamen and an undoubted increase in the number of laundries. The decision will the number of laundries are the number of laundries.

The present argument is made by Mr. Ward on an appeal from Commissioner Robinson's decision, ordering the three prisoners deported. At the time of their trial, Mr. Ward claimed that his clients were Koreans and therefore not liable under the Exclusion act. Commissioner Robinson held that they were Koreans. son held that they were of Chinese descent. Mr. Ward is now glad to take the commissioner's view of it and call them Chinamen. The three prisoners do not have what they are found to be if they can only gain their liberty.

A Virginian's Good Fortune. STAUNTON, Va., June 28 .- T. D. Ogg.

of Staunton, who went to California about six years ago for his health and has since been working as a telegraph operator for the Southern Pacific Railroad, some time ago bought 240 acress of land for a small sum. Slince then oil has been discovered on adjacent property and Mr. Ogg has sold his land for \$30,000.

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It is district, with neauquarters at News port News.

\$1.25 to Baltimore and Return via the port News.

Since then oil has been discovered on adjust the matter over, and imposed the fine named, with the alternative of thirty days in the workhouse.

Account National Convention Democratic party. Tickets sold and good going July J. 2, 3, good for return leaving Kansas City until July 9.

Corner, and sound, best boards, \$1.50, at 6th and per 1,000; made of cypress, No. 1 quality, by F. millwork, and clear doors only \$1.25, at 6th and N. Y. ave.

MR. SMITH'S DENIAL.

Says Alleged Violations of the Civil Service Law Can Be Explained.

The Civil Service Comm ten a number of letters recently to the stmaster General calling his attention to what has been termed the easy enforce-ment of the Civil Service laws in certain postoffices of the country.

These letters, particularly one dated May 24, written by Mr. Procter, intimate that the postoffice is an easy route to a p cal job and Commissioner Procter has extests-Records of the Universities. pressed the views of the Commission very

Postmaster General Smith said today that the Postoffiee Department has no quarrel with the Civil Service Commission, and that any misunderstanding, if any exis's, in regard to the enforcement of the civil service rules in the Postoffice Department could easily be applicated by could easily be explained to Mr. Procter. Commissioner Procter said this morning: "It is not the practice of this office to give

"It is not the practice of this office to give out any communications until they have been acted upon, and I regret that in this instance my letter of May 24 has become public property. Furthermore, the records of the Commission relative to appointments, transfers, and reinstatements are public property and available to anyone who desires the information. I do not know just how the letter became public."

Postmaster John A. Merritt, of the City Postoffice, said: "There is not a person on the rolls of this postoffice who does not perform the duties of his position. Otherwise his pay is deducted."

When asked if transfers of clerks to powhen asked if transfers of clerks to po

sitions in the Washington Postoffice other than upon his recommendation had been made, he replied: "It has happened." He further stated that the matter of appointments was one with which he had no connection, as all such were made by the Postoffice Department, and that, con-sequently, he was not in a position to discuss their legality, although he believ-ed that Commissioner Procter claimed that rot the law but the spirit of the law had been broken in appointments

DEPARTURE OF THE ENVOYS.

transfers.

oer Delegates Sail on the French Liner L'Aquitaine. NEW YORK, June 28.—The Boer en-

voys, Messrs. Abraham Fischer, A. D. W. Wolmarans, and C. H. Wessels, accompanied by Philip Oressels, the secretary of the envoys, and Mrs. Fischer, sailed this morning on L'Aquitaine, the French Their departure was marked with no

though a delegation of the Morton House Committee accompanied them to the pier of the departing steamenip and went on board to wish them good-by and to have a final chat with them. The Boers made sure not so be left. They

All the floral gifts were piled up together all the conditions.

and, it is alleged, attacked Kennerly with

an iron binder wrench. an iron binder wrebch.

The enumerator, however, put up a plucky fight until several bystanders interfered, one of whom, it is claimed, struck him with a rock. Shumate then beat Kennerly over the head with the wrench, inflicting severe wounds. Kennerly's condition is such that he is unable to forward an official report to Supervisor. to forward an official report to Supervisor. Steck of the occurrence, but the matter has been reported to the United States

District Attorney. A BRUTAL NIGHT ASSAULT.

Unknown Man Attacks a Marylander on a Lonely Road. WESTMINSTER, Md., June 28 .- Tolbert Hilterick, a farmer of Taneytown district Carroll county, was brutally assaulted late Saturday night by some unknows person and is now in a critical condition. evident intention of the party or parties

for he was left on the roadside presumawas taken completely by surprise when bly in a dying condition.

Mr. Ward-stated his point. He asked for time to look up some authorities on the question, and he was granted it. But a mile from that place. He was walking a large force of men were put to work at will decide the question.

Scarcely a week passes that Chinamen are not arrested in an attempt to illegally enter this country in violation of the Exclusion act at points along the Canadian lift Judge Hazel sides with My will be matter, it will in the road, having nearly reached his

A BARBER FINED.

said His Shop Was Open Sunday, But Did No Work.

Charles Brooks, colored, the proprieto of a barber shop on Thirteen-and-a-half Street northwest, was charged before Judge Scott this morning with keeping his shop open on Sunday in violation of law.

Brooks admitted that his shop was open as charged, but denied that he had done any husiness. He claimed not to have known that it was a violation of law to keep a shop open when business was not transacted. In view of that statement Judge Scott was inclined to be levient and ordered Brooks to now to fine of \$5. andordered Brooks to pay to fine of \$5.
Presecuting Attorney Pugh informed the court that the only fine provided for a violation of the law was \$20. Judge Scott

One Fare to Kansas City and Return \$10 To Chantauqua and Re- \$10 turn via Pennsylvania Railroad. Tickets good going on 7:45 a. m. train fr Washington. Friday, July 6, and for return, wi properly validated, not later than August 4.

NEW BOARD OF EDUCATION

Appointments Announced by the District Commissioners.

Of the Seven, Two Are Women, of Whom One Is Colored, and There Is One Colored Man-Mr. Maciarland Says the New Body Is Representative-Those Who Compose It.

The new Board of Education provided for n the act of Congress, approved June 6, 1900, was appointed today by the Commissioners of the District. The law stipulates that the board shall consist of seven members, and the Commissioners decided that two of the seven should be women, and that one man and one woman should be colored. In making the appointments the names were presented by Commissioner Macfarland and were ratified in each instance by Commissioners Ross and Beach. The persons appointed are:

CHARLES J. BELL, President of the American Security and Trust Company.

J. HOLDSWORTH GORDON.

Dr. RICHARD KINGSMAN.

Gen. GEORGE H. HARRIES.

Mrs. HENRY LITCHFIELD WEST.

JAMES P. RUNNY.

Mrs. V. L. FRANCIS After the meeting of the Board of Comnissioners today, Mr. Macfarland au-

thorized the following statement: "I feel sure that the Board of Education will command the confidence and the support of the community, for its members are representative and disinterested citizens who meet all the requirements of the law and the circumstances. They deserve the thanks of the community for undertaking this very important public service at a personal sacrifice which, in some cases, is so great that they were naturally reluctant to make it. The fact that the law required the appointses to be both residents and taxpayers for five years immediately preceding the appointment, narrowed the choice among those who were otherwise eligible, and so did the fact that many of that class had gone abroad, or elsewhere, for the summer, or had made plans for doing so, which they could not or would not break to remain here and work during the heat.

"It was only the public spirited who serve the thanks of the community for

Their departure was marked with no great enthusiasm on the part of their friends and sympathizers in this city, although a delegation of the Motton House Committee accompanied them to the pier of the departing steamship and went on board to wish them good-by and to have a final chat with them.

The Boers made sure not so be left. They started from the Manhattan Hotel at 7:45 o'clock. They and their American sympathizers filled six carriages, which were silitates filled six carriages, which were The Boers made sure not so be left. They started from the Manhattan Hotel at 7:45 o'clock. They and their American sympathizers filled six carriages, which were decorated with American and Transvall flags. A number of persons had sent floral pieces to the departing envoys and these were taken along to the steamship, where a few bouquets of flowers had preceded them.

All the floral gifts were piled up together in the saloon of the steamship and near the floral mound the Boers for a time talked to the members of the Morton Committee and a few who, out of interest in the Boer cause or out of curiosity wanted to converse with the men from the country about which they had read so much recently.

All the conditions.

"In the selection of the members of the Board of Education, neither political nor social influence was allowed to interfere, and the only desire and purpose was to get the best people possible under the circumstances. It was recognized that they could not all be taken from one section of the city, but that it was equal-time to the conditions.

TO CANTON DIRECT.

Report That the President Would

At the White House this morning the reort that the President would go to New York before proceeding to Canton was officially denied.

In accordance with original plans, as sublished in The Times yesterday, the President and his party will leave tomorrow evening at 7:45 o'clock in a special ar via the Pennsylvania lines for Canton.

NEW PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Work of Excavating for the Fonndation Begun.

The work of excavating for the foundation for the new Public Library Building in Mount Vernon Place, between Seventh and Ninth Streets northwest, which was prewho assaulted Mr. Hilterick was murder, sented to the District of Columbia by Ana mile from that place. He was walking a large force of men were put to work at

The structure is to be 224 feet long from east to west and 112 feet along the line of its greatest depth north and south, and lies very nearly in the centre of the park.
On January 12, 1899, Mr. Carbegie
agreed to give to the District \$250,000 for
the purpose of erecting a suitable building for a public library, providing Congress would give a suitable site and the District would arreange for its mainter ance. This proposition was accepted and on March 3, 1899, Congress enacted the necessary legislation. It was decided to select the plans by having certain prominent architects enter into competition. This was done and the plans of Messrs. Ackerman & Ross, of New York, were selected, after certain changes had been made by the committee of the Library Association having the matter in charge. On April 14, 1899, Mr. Carnegie increased his gift by \$50,000, and he gave another \$50,000 on September 26 for dinary expenses, which made the to amount contributed by him for the er

Treasury Em, loye's New Station. NEWPORT NEWS, Va., June 28.-George Carter, special employe of the United States Treasury in connection with the ustoms service, has been ordered back to

June 30 and July 1, good for return until follow-inf Monday. Tickets good on all trains except Royal Limited.

Special Excursion to Chesapeake Beach, Friday, June 29, 1900. Federal City Lodge, No. 20. Dorcas Rebecca Lodge, No. 4, L O. O. F.

Lumber has dropped at the Friendly Best and largest sized Shingles, \$6.00 Lowered Rates now on Lumber and

Plastering Laths, \$3.00; finest Laths at lowered prices at Friendly Corner, 6th and per 100 sq.